

Mr. R. Forest Taylor is honored for 50 Years of Service to the Butler County Conservation District

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On Thursday, March 31st, the Butler County Conservation District honored Mr. R. Forest Taylor for 50 Years of Service to their organization. The event was held at the Eva J. Hawes Building in the Morgantown City Park. Those in attendance were treated to a catered meal prepared by the Green River Caterers. During the dinner, many pictures spanning multiple decades of Mr. Taylor's life were displayed in a slide show for all to enjoy. Approximately 60 people, including much of his family, came out to celebrate the occasion. In the first presentation of the evening Sherry Johnson, Butler County Clerk, and David Fields, Butler County Judge Executive, presented Mr. Taylor with a certificate in honor of his 50 years of service as an elected official.

Mr. Taylor began serving on the Butler County Conservation District Board of Supervisors in 1966. He served 19 of those years as the chairman of the organization. Shane Wells, present Butler County Conservation District Chairman, served as the emcee of the event. He spoke of the "Forest Taylor School of Public Speaking," of which he claimed to be a student. Mr. Taylor's philosophy according to himself is "to stand up and be seen, speak up and be heard and sit down and be appreciated."

Several individuals in attendance including Steve Coleman, former Kentucky Division of Conservation Director, and Pat Henderson, former Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts President and current Breckinridge County Conservation District Chairman, spoke highly of Mr. Taylor's leadership. Mr. Taylor was presented with a plaque and a photo book in honor of his service. His wife, Mrs. Zora Taylor, was presented with a wreath.



Shane Wells presents R. Forest Taylor with the 50 Years of Service award.